# Grace Joel Retirement Village Limited - Grace Joel Retirement Village

## Introduction

This report records the results of a Surveillance Audit of a provider of aged residential care services against the Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Services Standard (NZS8134:2021).

The audit has been conducted by BSI Group New Zealand Ltd, an auditing agency designated under section 32 of the Health and Disability Services (Safety) Act 2001, for submission to the Ministry of Health.

The abbreviations used in this report are the same as those specified in section 0.4 of the Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Services Standard (NZS8134:2021).

You can view a full copy of the standard on the Ministry of Health’s website by clicking [here](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/regulation-health-and-disability-system/certification-health-care-services/health-and-disability-services-standards).

The specifics of this audit included:

**Legal entity:** Grace Joel Retirement Village Limited

**Premises audited:** Grace Joel Retirement Village

**Services audited:** Hospital services - Medical services; Hospital services - Geriatric services (excl. psychogeriatric); Rest home care (excluding dementia care)

**Dates of audit:** Start date: 19 December 2022 End date: 20 December 2022

**Proposed changes to current services (if any):** None

**Total beds occupied across all premises included in the audit on the first day of the audit:** 111

# Executive summary of the audit

## Introduction

This section contains a summary of the auditors’ findings for this audit. The information is grouped into the six sections contained within the Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Services Standard:

* ō tatou motika **│** our rights
* hunga mahi me te hanganga │ workforce and structure
* ngā huarahi ki te oranga │ pathways to wellbeing
* te aro ki te tangata me te taiao haumaru │ person-centred and safe environment
* te kaupare pokenga me te kaitiakitanga patu huakita │ infection prevention and antimicrobial stewardship
* here taratahi │ restraint and seclusion.

As well as auditors’ written summary, indicators are included that highlight the provider’s attainment against the subsection in each of the sections. The following table provides a key to how the indicators are arrived at.

**Key to the indicators**

| **Indicator** | **Description** | **Definition** |
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|  | Includes commendable elements above the required levels of performance | All subsections applicable to this service are fully attained with some subsections exceeded |
|  | No short falls | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained |
|  | Some minor shortfalls but no major deficiencies and required levels of performance seem achievable without extensive extra activity | Some subsections applicable to this service are partially attained and of low risk |
|  | A number of shortfalls that require specific action to address | Some subsections applicable to this service are partially attained and of medium or high risk and/or unattained and of low risk |
|  | Major shortfalls, significant action is needed to achieve the required levels of performance | Some subsections applicable to this service are unattained and of moderate or high risk |

## General overview of the audit

Ryman Grace Joel provides rest home and hospital (geriatric and medical) level care for up to 137 residents. On the day of audit there were 111 residents.

This unannounced surveillance audit was conducted against a sub-section of Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Services Standard 2021 and the contracts with Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand Te Toka Tumai Auckland. The audit process included the review of policies and procedures, the review of residents and staff files, observations, and interviews with families, management, staff, and a nurse practitioner.

The village manager is appropriately qualified and experienced and is supported by a clinical manager (registered nurse) who oversees the care centre. There are quality systems and processes being implemented. Feedback from residents and families/whānau was positive about the care and services provided. An induction and in-service training programme are in place to provide staff with appropriate knowledge and skills to deliver care.

This surveillance audit identified the service meets the intent of the standard.

## Ō tatou motika │ Our rights

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| Includes 10 subsections that support an outcome where people receive safe services of an appropriate standard that comply with consumer rights legislation. Services are provided in a manner that is respectful of people’s rights, facilitates informed choice, minimises harm,and upholds cultural and individual values and beliefs. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

Ryman Grace Joel provides an environment that supports resident rights and reflects culturally safe care. There is a Māori health plan in place. The service is working towards partnering with Pacific communities to encourage connectiveness.

Details relating to the Health and Disability Commissioner’s (HDC) Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers Rights (the Code) is included in the information packs given to new or potential residents and family/whānau.

There is an established system for the management of complaints that meets guidelines established by the Health and Disability Commissioner.

## Hunga mahi me te hanganga │ Workforce and structure

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| Includes 5 subsections that support an outcome where people receive quality services through effective governance and a supported workforce. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

The business plan reflects a holistic model to service delivery and ensure wellbeing outcomes for Māori and tāngata whaikaha are achieved. The executive team, village manager and clinical manager are able to demonstrate expertise in Te Tiriti, health equity and cultural safety. There is collaboration with mana whenua in business planning and service development that support outcomes to achieve equity for Māori.

There is a policy to ensure safe staffing levels. Residents receive appropriate services from suitably qualified staff. An orientation programme is in place for new staff. Registered nurse cover is provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

An education and training plan is implemented.

## Ngā huarahi ki te oranga │ Pathways to wellbeing

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| Includes 8 subsections that support an outcome where people participate in the development of their pathway to wellbeing, and receive timely assessment, followed by services that are planned, coordinated, and delivered in a manner that is tailored to their needs. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

The service promotes equity of access to their facility through a well-documented entry and decline process. The registered nurse assesses, plans, reviews and evaluates residents' needs, outcomes, and goals with the resident and/or family/whānau input and are responsible for each stage of service provision. The electronic care plans demonstrate service integration; there is a plan in place for registered nurses to review assessments and care plans on the resident’s six-month anniversary. Resident files are electronic and included medical notes by the general practitioner or nurse practitioner, and allied health professionals.

The activities team provides and implements a wide variety of activities which include cultural celebrations. The programme includes community visitors and outings, entertainment and activities that meet the individual recreational, physical, cultural, and cognitive abilities and resident preferences. Residents are supported to maintain links within the community.

Medication policies reflect legislative requirements and guidelines. The registered nurses and caregivers are responsible for administration of medications and have completed education and medication competencies. The electronic medicine charts reviewed met prescribing requirements and were reviewed at least three-monthly by the general practitioner or nurse practitioner. Medications are stored securely.

All food and baking is prepared and cooked on site in the centrally located kitchen. Residents' food preferences, dietary and cultural requirements are identified on admission.

## Te aro ki te tangata me te taiao haumaru │ Person-centred and safe environment

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| Includes 2 subsections that support an outcome where Health and disability services are provided in a safe environment appropriate to the age and needs of the people receiving services that facilitates independence and meets the needs of people with disabilities. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

The building has a current warrant of fitness which expires on 16 November 2023 and an approved fire evacuation scheme. Fire drills occur six-monthly. There is a planned and reactive maintenance programme in place. Security arrangements are in place in the event of a fire or external disaster.

## Te kaupare pokenga me te kaitiakitanga patu huakita │Infection prevention and antimicrobial stewardship

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| Includes 5 subsections that support an outcome where Health and disability service providers’ infection prevention (IP) and antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) strategies define a clear vision and purpose, with quality of care, welfare, and safety at the centre. The IP and AMS programmes are up to date and informed by evidence and are an expression of a strategy that seeks to maximise quality of care and minimise infection risk and adverse effects from antibiotic use, such as antimicrobial resistance. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

The infection control programme is appropriate for the size and complexity of the service. All policies, procedures, the pandemic plan, and the infection control programme have been developed and approved at executive and Board level.

Surveillance data is undertaken. Infection incidents are collected and analysed for trends and the information used to identify opportunities for improvements. Information and resources are available in te reo. There have been two Covid-19 outbreaks since the previous audit, which were well managed.

## Here taratahi │ Restraint and seclusion

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| Includes 4 subsections that support outcomes where Services shall aim for a restraint and seclusion free environment, in which people’s dignity and mana are maintained. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

Ryman Grace Joel strives to maintain a restraint-free environment. At the time of the audit, there was one resident using a restraint. Restraint minimisation training is included as part of the annual mandatory training plan, orientation booklet and annual restraint competencies are completed.

## Summary of attainment

The following table summarises the number of subsections and criteria audited and the ratings they were awarded.

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| **Attainment Rating** | **Continuous Improvement****(CI)** | **Fully Attained****(FA)** | **Partially Attained Negligible Risk****(PA Negligible)** | **Partially Attained Low Risk****(PA Low)** | **Partially Attained Moderate Risk****(PA Moderate)** | **Partially Attained High Risk****(PA High)** | **Partially Attained Critical Risk****(PA Critical)** |
| **Subsection** | 0 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Criteria** | 0 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| **Attainment Rating** | **Unattained Negligible Risk****(UA Negligible)** | **Unattained Low Risk****(UA Low)** | **Unattained Moderate Risk****(UA Moderate)** | **Unattained High Risk****(UA High)** | **Unattained Critical Risk****(UA Critical)** |
| **Subsection** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Criteria** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

# Attainment against the Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Services Standard

The following table contains the results of all the subsections assessed by the auditors at this audit. Depending on the services they provide, not all subsections are relevant to all providers and not all subsections are assessed at every audit.

There may be subsections in this audit report with an attainment rating of ‘not applicable’ which relate to new requirements in Ngā Paerewa that the provider is working towards. The provider will be expected to meet these requirements at their next audit.

For more information on the standard, please click [here](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/regulation-health-and-disability-system/certification-health-care-services/health-and-disability-services-standards).

For more information on the different types of audits and what they cover please click [here](http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/services-and-support/health-care-services/services-older-people/rest-home-certification-and-audits).

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| **Subsection with desired outcome** | **Attainment Rating** | **Audit Evidence** |
| Subsection 1.1: Pae ora healthy futuresTe Tiriti: Māori flourish and thrive in an environment that enables good health and wellbeing.As service providers: We work collaboratively to embrace, support, and encourage a Māori worldview of health and provide high-quality, equitable, and effective services for Māori framed by Te Tiriti o Waitangi. | FA | The village manager stated that Ryman supports increasing Māori capacity within the workforce and will be employing more Māori applicants when they do apply through equal opportunities at Grace Joel. The `how to recruit a Rymanian` policy reflects equal opportunities for all that apply. Ryman evidences a commitment to ensure equal employment opportunities for Māori in their business plan. At the time of the audit there were Māori staff.  |
| Subsection 1.2: Ola manuia of Pacific peoples in AotearoaThe people: Pacific peoples in Aotearoa are entitled to live and enjoy good health and wellbeing.Te Tiriti: Pacific peoples acknowledge the mana whenua of Aotearoa as tuakana and commit to supporting them to achieve tino rangatiratanga.As service providers: We provide comprehensive and equitable health and disability services underpinned by Pacific worldviews and developed in collaboration with Pacific peoples for improved health outcomes. | Not Applicable | The organisation is working towards the development of a Pacific health plan and is in the process of forming partnerships with Pacific groups to have input into the Pacific health plan. |
| Subsection 1.3: My rights during service deliveryThe People: My rights have meaningful effect through the actions and behaviours of others.Te Tiriti:Service providers recognise Māori mana motuhake (self-determination).As service providers: We provide services and support to people in a way that upholds their rights and complies with legal requirements. | FA | The Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights (the Code) is displayed in English and te reo Māori. Māori independence (mana motuhake) is recognised by staff through their cultural training programmes. Māori cultural activities are individually tailored as per the resident’s care plan with family/whānau providing support as required. All residents are encouraged to determine their own pathway and journey, with independence promoted for each individual. This was confirmed in interviews with five relatives (four hospital and one rest home) and seven residents (four rest home and three hospital). Residents interviewed stated they had choice, and they are supported to make decisions about whether they would like family/whānau members to be involved in their care.  |
| Subsection 1.4: I am treated with respectThe People: I can be who I am when I am treated with dignity and respect.Te Tiriti: Service providers commit to Māori mana motuhake.As service providers: We provide services and support to people in a way that is inclusive and respects their identity and their experiences. | FA | Signage in te reo Māori is in place in various locations throughout the care centre. Te reo Māori is reinforced by those staff who are able to speak/understand this language. The staff noticeboards contain information on Māori tikanga practice. Interviews with eleven care staff (three registered nurses (RN), five caregivers and three activity coordinators), confirmed their understanding of tikanga best practice, with examples provided. Cultural training is also included in the orientation programme for new staff. All staff attend specific cultural training that covers Te Tiriti o Waitangi and tikanga Māori, facilitating staff, resident and tāngata whaikaha participation in te ao Māori.  |
| Subsection 1.5: I am protected from abuseThe People: I feel safe and protected from abuse.Te Tiriti: Service providers provide culturally and clinically safe services for Māori, so they feel safe and are protected from abuse.As service providers: We ensure the people using our services are safe and protected from abuse. | FA | The abuse and neglect of the elderly policy is implemented. Staff interviewed could easily describe signs and symptoms of abuse they may witness and were aware of how to escalate their concerns. During interviews with care staff, a culture of teamwork and inclusiveness was evident. Staff are encouraged to address issues of racism and bias; however, if they are not comfortable, they are supported by management to do so. Cultural days are held to celebrate diversity. Staff complete education on orientation and annually as per the training plan on how to identify abuse and neglect. Relatives interviewed confirmed that the care provided to their family members is of a high standard. The service`s electronic care plan reflects a holistic model of care that ensures to reflect all aspects of wellbeing and integrate achievable goals as and when healthcare needs change for all residents, including Māori. The service provides education on cultural safety and explores opportunities to improve outcomes for Māori.  |
| Subsection 1.7: I am informed and able to make choicesThe people: I know I will be asked for my views. My choices will be respected when making decisions about my wellbeing. If my choices cannot be upheld, I will be provided with information that supports me to understand why.Te Tiriti: High-quality services are provided that are easy to access and navigate. Providers give clear and relevant messages so that individuals and whānau can effectively manage their own health,keep well, and live well.As service providers: We provide people using our services or their legal representatives with the information necessary to make informed decisions in accordance with their rights and their ability to exercise independence, choice, and control. | FA | The service follows relevant best practice tikanga guidelines to ensure culturally safe care. The registered nurses and clinical manager have a good understanding of the organisational process to ensure Māori residents involved the family/whānau for collective decision making. Support services to Māori are available. Residents stated they were involved in decisions related to their care and everyday activities. |
| Subsection 1.8: I have the right to complainThe people: I feel it is easy to make a complaint. When I complain I am taken seriously and receive a timely response.Te Tiriti: Māori and whānau are at the centre of the health and disability system, as active partners in improving the system and their care and support.As service providers: We have a fair, transparent, and equitable system in place to easily receive and resolve or escalate complaints in a manner that leads to quality improvement. | FA | The complaints procedure is provided to residents and families/whānau during the resident’s entry to the service. Access to complaints forms is located at the entrance to the facility or on request from staff. Complaints can be handed to reception. Residents or relatives making a complaint can involve an independent support person in the process if they choose. The complaints process is linked to advocacy services. The Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights and complaints process and forms are visible, and available in te reo Māori, and English.A complaints register is being maintained. Complaints management meets the Health and Disability Commissioner`s guidelines. Fourteen complaints were lodged in 2021 and eighteen have been lodged for 2022 (year-to-date). Documentation including follow-up letters and resolution, demonstrates that complaints are being managed in accordance with guidelines set by the Health and Disability Commissioner. All complaints are documented as resolved and no trends were identified. Concerns and complaints are discussed at relevant meetings. Staff interviewed reported that complaints and corrective actions as a result are discussed at meetings (also evidenced in meeting minutes). Residents and relatives interviewed are aware of the complaint process and reported they felt comfortable discussing any issues with the registered nurses, or the management team. The village manager interviewed stated the complaints process works equitably for Māori, support is available and there is an understanding that face to face meetings with whānau are preferred in resolving issues for Māori.  |
| Subsection 2.1: GovernanceThe people: I trust the people governing the service to have the knowledge, integrity, and ability to empower the communities they serve.Te Tiriti: Honouring Te Tiriti, Māori participate in governance in partnership, experiencing meaningful inclusion on all governance bodies and having substantive input into organisational operational policies.As service providers: Our governance body is accountable for delivering a highquality service that is responsive, inclusive, and sensitive to the cultural diversity of communities we serve. | FA | Grace Joel is a Ryman healthcare retirement village. They are certified to provide hospital (medical and geriatric), and rest home levels of care for up to 137 residents. There are 107 dual purpose beds (including eight double rooms) in the care centre, with a further 30 serviced apartments certified for care (20 rest home and 10 dual purpose).On the day of the audit there were a total of 111 residents (29 rest home, 66 hospital); twelve residents in the serviced apartments were receiving rest home level care, and four hospital level. One resident was on long term support- chronic health contract (LTS-CHC) at hospital level, one respite, and all other residents were under the age-related residential care (ARRC) contract. The current village manager has been in the role for over five years. The village manager is supported by a resident services manager who has been in the role for two years, and a clinical manager that has been in the role since January and was previously a unit coordinator on the same site. Ryman Healthcare is based in Christchurch. Village managers’ report to the regional operation managers, who report to the senior executive team. The senior executive team report to the chief executive officer, who reports to the Board. Board members include a Māori advisor, and the previous chair of Nga Tahu is also on the Board. A range of reports are available to managers through electronic systems to include all clinical, health and safety and human resources. Reports are sent from the village managers to the regional managers on a weekly basis; dashboards on the electronic systems provide a quick overview of performance around measuring key performance indicators (KPIs). There is a clinical governance committee whose focus is the clinical aspects of operations and includes members from the Board. The Ryman business plan is based around Ryman characteristic including (but not limited to) excellence, team, and communication. These characteristics are built into the village objectives. Ryman`s strategic direction aligns with improving outcomes and equity for tāngata whaikaha through regular feedback from residents and family meetings and an annual satisfaction survey.The organisation has employed a Taha Māori Kaitiaki – Cultural Navigator, along with a Māori cultural advisor who have been working in partnership with Māori. The role of these staff is to ensure policy and procedure within the villages and the company represents Te Tiriti partnership and equality. The Cultural Navigator consults with, and reports on any barriers to the senior executive members and the Board to ensure these can be addressed. The cultural navigator ensures the Board are culturally competent; this includes ensuring meaningful representation at management level and assist in adapting systems to support Māori residents and employees and tāngata whaikaha. |
| Subsection 2.2: Quality and risk The people: I trust there are systems in place that keep me safe, are responsive, and are focused on improving my experience and outcomes of care.Te Tiriti: Service providers allocate appropriate resources to specifically address continuous quality improvement with a focus on achieving Māori health equity.As service providers: We have effective and organisation-wide governance systems in place relating to continuous quality improvement that take a risk-based approach, and these systems meet the needs of people using the services and our health care and support workers. | FA | Ryman Grace Joel is implementing a quality and risk management programme as part of the business plan. Quality goals for 2022 are documented. The quality and risk management systems include a risk-based approach and include performance monitoring through internal audits and through the collection of clinical indicator data. A range of meetings are held monthly including full facility meetings, health and safety, infection control, and RN meetings. There are monthly team Ryman (quality) meetings and weekly manager meetings. Discussions include (but are not limited to): quality data; health and safety; infection control/pandemic strategies; complaints received (if any); staffing; and education. Internal audits, meetings, and collation of data were documented as taking place, with corrective actions documented where indicated to address service improvements, with evidence of progress and sign off when achieved. Quality data and trends in data are posted in the staffroom. The corrective action log is discussed at quality meetings to ensure any outstanding matters are addressed with sign-off when completed.Incident and accident data is collated monthly and analysed. A summary is provided against each clinical indicator data. Opportunities to minimise future risks are identified by the clinical manager and registered nurses. Benchmarking occurs on a national level against other Ryman facilities and other aged care provider groups. The 2022 resident satisfaction surveys completed in April 2022 demonstrate an overall satisfaction of 4.3/5.0 with service delivery. It was noted the food service had improved from the 2021 survey.Health and safety policies are implemented and monitored by the health and safety committee. The health and safety committee meet monthly and is representative of the facility. There are procedures to guide staff in managing clinical and non-clinical emergencies. New policies or changes to a policy are communicated to staff. Staff incident, hazards and risk information is collated at facility level, reported to national level and a consolidated report and analysis of all facilities are then provided to the governance body.Discussions with the management team evidenced awareness of their requirement to notify relevant authorities in relation to essential notifications. There have been Section 31 notifications completed to notify HealthCERT (since the last audit) in relation to pressure injuries and a discrepancy in a controlled medication stocktake. There had been two Covid-19 exposure events in March and June 2022, and these were appropriately notified to Public Health. Staff received a wide range of culturally diverse training including cultural sensitivity and awareness, with resources made available on the intranet to ensure a high-quality service is provided for Māori and residents with diverse ethnicities.Critical analysis of organisational practice is obtained through organisational benchmarking and national benchmarking within the aged care sector. Benchmarking results are analysed to identify opportunities to improve equity and ensure positive health outcomes for residents.  |
| Subsection 2.3: Service managementThe people: Skilled, caring health care and support workers listen to me, provide personalised care, and treat me as a whole person.Te Tiriti: The delivery of high-quality health care that is culturally responsive to the needs and aspirations of Māori is achieved through the use of health equity and quality improvement tools.As service providers: We ensure our day-to-day operation is managed to deliver effective person-centred and whānau-centred services. | FA | There is a staffing and rostering policy and procedure in place for determining staffing levels and skills mix for safe service delivery. This defines staffing ratios to residents. Rosters implement the staffing rationale. A ‘cover-pool’ of staff are additional staff that are added to the roster to cover staff absences. Residents and family members interviewed reported that there are adequate staff numbers. The annual training programme exceeds eight hours annually. There is an attendance register for each training session and an electronic individual staff member record of educational courses offered, including: in-services; competency questionnaires; online learning; and external professional development. All senior caregivers and registered nurses have current medication competencies. Registered nurses, an enrolled nurse, senior caregivers, caregivers, activities, and lifestyle staff have a current first aid certificate. There is at least one person on each shift with a valid current first aid certificate. There is a range of competencies specific to the employee`s role. All competencies had been completed for 2021/2022. Seventeen of eighteen registered nurses are interRAI trained.There is an annual education and training schedule that includes mandatory training across 2021 and 2022 which has been fully implemented. Training topics include: health and safety and hazard management; Residents Code of Rights; cultural safety training; chemical training; and emergency preparedness. Staff complete eLearning and webinars. Staff complete cultural safety on the eLearning platform and the opportunity to learn about Māori health outcomes, disparities, and health equity trends. RNs and senior caregivers complete competencies including (but not limited to) medications and wound care. Caregivers are encouraged to gain qualifications with the New Zealand Qualification Authority (NZQA). Eleven caregivers have achieved a level 4 or above. Registered nurses (RNs) are supported to maintain their professional competency. RNs attend regular journal club meetings. There are implemented competencies for RNs, and caregivers related to specialised procedures or treatments including (but not limited to) infection control, wound management, medication and insulin competencies.  |
| Subsection 2.4: Health care and support workersThe people: People providing my support have knowledge, skills, values, and attitudes that align with my needs. A diverse mix of people in adequate numbers meet my needs.Te Tiriti: Service providers actively recruit and retain a Māori health workforce and invest in building and maintaining their capacity and capability to deliver health care that meets the needs of Māori.As service providers: We have sufficient health care and support workers who are skilled and qualified to provide clinically and culturally safe, respectful, quality care and services. | FA | Eight staff files reviewed included a signed employment contract, job description, police check, induction paperwork relevant to the role the staff member is in, application form and reference checks. A register of RN practising certificates is maintained within the facility. Practising certificates for other health practitioners are also retained to provide evidence of their registration. An orientation/induction programme provides new staff with relevant information for safe work practice. It is tailored specifically to each position. Information held about staff is kept secure, and confidential. Ethnicity data is identified with plans in place to maintain an employee ethnicity database. Māori staff files included iwi affiliation. |
| Subsection 3.1: Entry and declining entryThe people: Service providers clearly communicate access, timeframes, and costs of accessing services, so that I can choose the most appropriate service provider to meet my needs.Te Tiriti: Service providers work proactively to eliminate inequities between Māori and non-Māori by ensuring fair access to quality care.As service providers: When people enter our service, we adopt a person-centred and whānau-centred approach to their care. We focus on their needs and goals and encourage input from whānau. Where we are unable to meet these needs, adequate information about the reasons for this decision is documented and communicated to the person and whānau. | FA | The admission policy/decline to entry policy and procedure guides staff around admission and declining processes, including required documentation. The village manager keeps records of the number of prospective residents and families/whānau that have viewed the facility, admissions and declined referrals, which goes to the Board. The report includes ethnicity data and analysis of ethnicity/race/indigenous status and iwi.The service identifies links to Māori health providers within the Māori plan. The service has developed meaningful partnerships with Māori communities and organisations to benefit Māori individuals and whānau. The organisation is committed to working collaboratively to incorporate the principles of the Treaty in a seamless and integrated way, in a culturally and spiritually safe environment for residents, their whānau/family, and staff. |
| Subsection 3.2: My pathway to wellbeingThe people: I work together with my service providers so they know what matters to me, and we can decide what best supports my wellbeing.Te Tiriti: Service providers work in partnership with Māori and whānau, and support their aspirations, mana motuhake, and whānau rangatiratanga.As service providers: We work in partnership with people and whānau to support wellbeing. | FA | Seven resident clinical files were reviewed: three rest home and four hospital level care, including the resident on the long-term support- chronic health care and a resident on respite care. A registered nurse completes an initial assessment and care plan on admission, including relevant risk assessment tools. Initial interRAI assessments and reassessments were completed within expected timeframes for the long-term residents, including the resident on LTS-CHC. Outcomes of assessments are linked to the MyRyman care plans. MyRyman care plans are resident centred, holistic and cover all assessed medical and non-medical needs. Care plans reviewed were developed and reviewed within timeframes or when there is a change in resident condition. Care plans include allied health and external service provider involvement. Short term needs such as current infections, wounds, weight loss, or recent falls automatically populates the long-term care plan to reflect resident needs and removed when appropriate/resolved. There is a Māori health care plan that supports Māori constructs of Oranga and ensures there is a process to support Māori and whānau to identify their own pae ora outcomes in their care or support plan. MyRyman care plans evidence the care plan has been developed and reviewed in partnership with residents and whānau. Evaluations evidence progression towards meeting goals. The respite resident had all appropriate initial assessments and care plans developed. Residents and family/whānau interviewed confirmed they participated in care planning and decision making. The registered nurses interviewed described working in partnership with the resident and family/whānau to develop initial and long-term care plans. The service contracts with the local medical centre whose general practitioner (GP) or nurse practitioner (NP) provides medical services to residents. The GP/NP visits occur four times a week or more often if required, completes three-monthly reviews, admissions, sees all residents of concern and provides an out of hours on-call service. The service also has access to the 24 hour on-call GP service. The NP (interviewed) stated they are notified in a timely manner for any residents with health concerns and was complimentary of the standard of care provided by the facility. All GP/NP notes are entered into the residents’ electronic clinical file. Allied health care professionals involved in the care of the resident, included (but were not limited to): physiotherapist; hospice; speech language therapist; older persons health clinicians; Te Whatu Ora Te Toka Tumai Auckland wound specialist; continence specialist; and dietitian. There is a physiotherapist who works 20 hours over five days per week. The physiotherapist completes residents’ mobility assessments and provides staff education, including manual handling. There were no barriers identified for any residents accessing information and health services. Residents interviewed reported their needs were being met. Family members interviewed stated their relative’s needs were being met and stated they are notified of all changes to health, as evidenced in the electronic progress notes. When a resident's condition alters, the registered nurse initiates a review and if required, a GP or NP visit or referral to nurse specialist consultants occurs. The 2022 resident/family satisfaction survey showed satisfaction related to care.Adequate dressing supplies were sighted in treatment rooms. Wound management policies and procedures are in place. There were 22 residents with 39 wounds, including three residents with three pressure injuries (one stage III pressure injury and two stage II). The electronic wound care plan documents assessments, wound management plan and evaluations are documented with supporting photographs and wound assessments. Te Whatu Ora Te Toka Tumai Auckland specialist wound nurse and the GP/NP have input into chronic wound management. Caregivers interviewed stated there are adequate clinical supplies and equipment provided including continence, wound care supplies and pressure injury prevention resources. A continence specialist can be accessed as required.Monitoring charts included (but not limited to) weights, vital signs, turning schedules and fluid balance recordings and charts were implemented according to the care plan interventions. Four residents unwitnessed falls reviewed did not have neurological observations documented as monitored, as per the organisational policy.Relatives are invited to attend GP/NP reviews, and if they are unable to attend, they are updated of any changes. The management and registered nurses reported they routinely invite family/whānau to the six-monthly review meetings along with the resident. Communication with relatives was evidenced in the electronic system.Caregivers interviewed advised that a verbal handover occurs (witnessed) at the beginning of each duty that maintains a continuity of service delivery. Progress notes are maintained on the electronic management system and entered by the caregivers and RNs after each duty. The RN further adds to the progress notes if there are any incidents or changes in health status. |
| Subsection 3.3: Individualised activitiesThe people: I participate in what matters to me in a way that I like.Te Tiriti: Service providers support Māori community initiatives and activities that promote whanaungatanga.As service providers: We support the people using our services to maintain and develop their interests and participate in meaningful community and social activities, planned and unplanned, which are suitable for their age and stage and are satisfying to them. | FA | Residents cultural, spiritual and activities preferences are documented in the nursing care plan. There are various celebrations planned throughout the year including, Matariki, Waitangi Day, and Māori language week are celebrated. Celebrations recently included singing of Māori songs, dancing to Māori music, and learning words and phrases in Māori language. The service is actively working with staff to support community initiatives that meet the health needs and aspirations of Māori, including, ensuring that te reo Māori and tikanga Māori are actively promoted and included in the activities programme.  |
| Subsection 3.4: My medicationThe people: I receive my medication and blood products in a safe and timely manner.Te Tiriti: Service providers shall support and advocate for Māori to access appropriate medication and blood products.As service providers: We ensure people receive their medication and blood products in a safe and timely manner that complies with current legislative requirements and safe practice guidelines. | FA | Policies and procedures are in place for safe medicine management. Medications are stored safely in medication rooms. The internal audit schedule includes medication management six-monthly.Registered nurses and medication competent caregivers administer medications, and all have completed medication competencies annually. Registered nurses have completed syringe driver training. All medication is checked on delivery against the electronic medication charts. Policies and procedures for residents self-administering are in place and this includes ensuring residents are competent, and safe storage of the medications. There were no residents self-administering medications on the day of the audit. Registered nurses advised that the GP or NP prescribes over-the-counter medications. All medication errors are reported and collated with quality data. The medication fridge and room temperatures are recorded and maintained within the acceptable temperature range. All eye drops sighted in the medication trolleys were dated on opening. All medications no longer required are returned to pharmacy. There were no expired drugs on site on the day of the audit. Standing orders are not used. Fourteen electronic medication charts were reviewed and met prescribing requirements. Medication charts had photo identification and allergy status notified. The GP or NP had reviewed the medication charts three-monthly for those residents that had been at the facility for longer than three months. ‘As required’ medications had prescribed indications for use and were administered appropriately with outcomes documented in progress notes. Two registered nurses were observed administrating medications correctly on the day of audit. Residents and relatives interviewed stated they are updated around medication changes, including the reason for changing medications and side effects. The registered nurses and management described working towards partnership with all residents (including Māori) to ensure the appropriate support is in place, advice is timely and easily accessed, and treatment is prioritised to achieve better health outcomes. |
| Subsection 3.5: Nutrition to support wellbeingThe people: Service providers meet my nutritional needs and consider my food preferences.Te Tiriti: Menu development respects and supports cultural beliefs, values, and protocols around food and access to traditional foods.As service providers: We ensure people’s nutrition and hydration needs are met to promote and maintain their health and wellbeing. | FA | The chef (interviewed) consults directly with residents to gain feedback of the food services and adjusts the menu if any special requests. The chef advised that they plan the menu to align with activities celebrations.The service has an understanding of tapu and noa, consistent with a logical Māori view of hygiene and align with good health and safety practices. The chef described how they can provide menu options culturally specific to Māori. |
| Subsection 3.6: Transition, transfer, and discharge The people: I work together with my service provider so they know what matters to me, and we can decide what best supports my wellbeing when I leave the service.Te Tiriti: Service providers advocate for Māori to ensure they and whānau receive the necessary support during their transition, transfer, and discharge.As service providers: We ensure the people using our service experience consistency and continuity when leaving our services. We work alongside each person and whānau to provide and coordinate a supported transition of care or support. | FA | The transfer and discharge of resident management process and policy ensures a smooth, safe, and well organised transfer or discharge of residents. The registered nurses interviewed described exits, discharges or transfers are coordinated in collaboration with the resident and family/whānau to ensure continuity of care. There was evidence that residents and their families/whānau were involved for all exits or discharges to and from the service and have the opportunity to ask questions. A verbal handover is provided. Referral to other health and disability services is evident in the resident files reviewed.  |
| Subsection 4.1: The facilityThe people: I feel the environment is designed in a way that is safe and is sensitive to my needs. I am able to enter, exit, and move around the environment freely and safely.Te Tiriti: The environment and setting are designed to be Māori-centred and culturally safe for Māori and whānau.As service providers: Our physical environment is safe, well maintained, tidy, and comfortable and accessible, and the people we deliver services to can move independently and freely throughout. The physical environment optimises people’s sense of belonging, independence, interaction, and function. | FA | The building has a current warrant of fitness which expires on 16 November 2023. The service has a lead maintenance person who is full time and on call and a part-time maintenance person. There are essential contractors who can be contacted 24 hours a day every day. Maintenance requests are completed on a form and checked off once competed by the maintenance person. There is a preventative maintenance schedule which is maintained. The planned maintenance schedule includes electrical testing and tagging, resident’s equipment checks, calibrations of weigh scales and clinical equipment and testing, which are all current. Weekly hot water tests are completed for resident areas and are below 45 degrees celsius. The service advised future developments would include consultation with local Māori iwi to ensure they reflect aspirations and identity of Māori. This would include advice from the Māori advisor and would be coordinated from head office.  |
| Subsection 4.2: Security of people and workforceThe people: I trust that if there is an emergency, my service provider will ensure I am safe.Te Tiriti: Service providers provide quality information on emergency and security arrangements to Māori and whānau.As service providers: We deliver care and support in a planned and safe way, including during an emergency or unexpected event. | FA | A fire evacuation plan is in place that has been approved by the New Zealand Fire Service 17 December 2002. Fire evacuation drills are held six-monthly. The building is secure after hours and staff complete security checks at night.  |
| Subsection 5.2: The infection prevention programme and implementationThe people: I trust my provider is committed to implementing policies, systems, and processes to manage my risk of infection.Te Tiriti: The infection prevention programme is culturally safe. Communication about the programme is easy to access and navigate and messages are clear and relevant.As service providers: We develop and implement an infection prevention programme that is appropriate to the needs, size, and scope of our services. | FA | The service has a pandemic plan which includes preparation and planning for the management of lockdown, business contingency plan, screening, transfers into the facility and management of positive Covid-19 tests. The Bug Control Infection Control Manual is used as a reference for best practice around infection control. Policies are available and accessible to staff. Staff have access to an online resource on the intranet called SharePoint with clinical pathways for different responses and communication pathways related to stages of an outbreak. There are outbreak kits readily available, and a personal protective equipment (PPE) cupboard and trolleys are set up ready to be used. The PPE stock is regularly checked against expiry dates and there are supplies of extra equipment available and accessible. The service has educational resources available in te reo Māori and practices acknowledge the spirit of Te Tiriti, with Māori staff members providing guidance in culturally safe infection prevention practice. Staff interviewed could provide examples of culturally safe infection control practices in relation to their role.  |
| Subsection 5.4: Surveillance of health care-associated infection (HAI)The people: My health and progress are monitored as part of the surveillance programme.Te Tiriti: Surveillance is culturally safe and monitored by ethnicity.As service providers: We carry out surveillance of HAIs and multi-drug-resistant organisms in accordance with national and regional surveillance programmes, agreed objectives, priorities, and methods specified in the infection prevention programme, and with an equity focus. | FA | Infection surveillance is an integral part of the infection control programme and is described in the infection control policy manual. Monthly infection data is collected for all infections based on signs, symptoms, and definition of infection. Infections are entered into the electronic resident management system and surveillance of all infections (including organisms) is collated onto a monthly infection summary. This data is monitored and analysed for trends, monthly, six-monthly and annually. Infection control surveillance is discussed at infection control, management, and full facility meetings. Meeting minutes and graphs are displayed for staff. Action plans are required for any infection rates of concern. Internal infection control audits are completed with corrective actions for areas of improvement. The service receives regular notifications and alerts from Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand - Te Toka Tumai Auckland for any community concerns.There have been two Covid-19 outbreaks reported in 2022. These were appropriately managed with Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand - Te Toka Tumai Auckland and Public Health appropriately notified. Outbreak logs were completed. The service incorporated ethnicity data into the Protection Team, Community and Public Health Outbreak Case List at the time of the outbreaks.  |
| Subsection 6.1: A process of restraintThe people: I trust the service provider is committed to improving policies, systems, and processes to ensure I am free from restrictions.Te Tiriti: Service providers work in partnership with Māori to ensure services are mana enhancing and use least restrictive practices.As service providers: We demonstrate the rationale for the use of restraint in the context of aiming for elimination. | FA | The restraint policy confirms that the organisation is working to actively minimise the use of restraint. Strategies implemented include working in partnership with family/whānau to ensure the service maintains the dignity of the resident while using the least restrictive practice. There is one resident with cot side restraint at the time of the audit. All documentation, assessment, review, and monitoring of the restraint processes are completed as per the organisational policy. The resident’s restraint is discussed at the monthly restraint meeting (minutes reviewed). The restraint has been assessed as required following review of all other less restrictive practices. The restraint coordinator interviewed confirmed care staff receive regular training on restraint minimisation, which begins during their period of orientation. Staff training records evidenced that guidance is given on restraint minimisation.  |

# Specific results for criterion where corrective actions are required

Where a subsection is rated partially attained (PA) or unattained (UA) specific corrective actions are recorded under the relevant criteria for the subsection. The following table contains the criterion where corrective actions have been recorded.

Criterion can be linked to the relevant subsection by looking at the code. For example, Criterion 1.1.1 My service provider shall embed and enact Te Tiriti o Waitangi within all its work, recognising Māori, and supporting Māori in their aspirations, whatever they are (that is, recognising mana motuhake) relates to subsection 1.1: Pae ora healthy futures in Section 1 Our rights.

If there is a message “no data to display” instead of a table, then no corrective actions were required as a result of this audit.

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# Specific results for criterion where a continuous improvement has been recorded

As well as whole subsections, individual criterion within a subsection can also be rated as having a continuous improvement. A continuous improvement means that the provider can demonstrate achievement beyond the level required for full attainment. The following table contains the criterion where the provider has been rated as having made corrective actions have been recorded.

As above, criterion can be linked to the relevant subsection by looking at the code. For example, Criterion 1.1.1 relates to subsection 1.1: Pae ora healthy futures in Section 1: Our rights.

If, instead of a table, these is a message “no data to display” then no continuous improvements were recorded as part of this of this audit.

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